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Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed August 3, 2010, which has a period for response set to expire on November 3, 2010.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

Remarks begin at page 9; and

A certified translation of Japanese Patent Application No. 2004-045102 accompanies this response is attached following page 4..